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The Proposed Settlement in this case, is severly flawed, propable fataly so.

Microsoft has arguably held a monoply in the PC OS market since 1990 and has used this fact to disadvatage and destroy competitors. This has clearly harmed consumers, by limiting there options. It is difficult to guess as to what developments never say the light of day due the chilling effect of Microsoft actions. That a number of products were not allowed to compete fairly in the marketplace is clear.

Microsofts actions since the inital verdict nakes it clear that Microsoft is unlikely to act lawfully in the future, nor to allow competition to return to the marketplace.